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Title:	BIOMETRIC SAFEGUARD METHOD FOR USE WITH A SMARTCARD	Confirmation No.:	4334

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Commissioner:

In reply to the Office Action mailed on May 9, 2006, please consider the following amendments and remarks. This Reply is being timely filed within 3 months of the mailing date of the Office Action, so that no extension fee applies.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.